

**TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
September 25, 2008 MINUTES**

The regular meeting of the Burbank Traffic & Transportation Committee was held in the City Council Chambers, 275 E. Olive Avenue, on the above date. Michael Flad, Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Members Present: Michael Flad, Chair
Joe Terranova, Vice Chair
Brian Malone
David Kriske
Ralph Herman
Hank Jannace
Robert Heins
John Molinar
Barry Gussow
Lt. Ron Caruso
David Justl
Celeste Francis

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Ken Johnson—Traffic Engineering, Public Works
Bonnie Teaford—Public Works Director, Public Works
Karen McMurray—Administrative Analyst II, Public Works
Terre Hirsch—License and Code Administrator, License and Code
Rabie Rahmani—Traffic Engineering, Public Works
Melissa Blau—Recording Secretary, Public Works

I. FLAG SALUTE

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes from the August 28, 2008 meeting. The motion was approved with 3 abstentions.

III. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: (Limited to items on the printed agenda or items regarding the business of the Traffic & Transportation Committee)

A. Public

None

B. Committee Members

None

IV. REPORTS

A. Taxi Cab Report—Terre Hirsch

Mr. Hirsch reported that the temporary permits will expire on December 28, 2008. Staff will be soliciting applications to fill the open permits. He suggested a special meeting to review the taxi cab company applications. Mr. Justl, Mr. Gussow, Mr. Malone, Mr. Hirsch, Ms. Francis, Mr. Terranova, and Mr. Johnson participated in the discussion.

Joseph Terranova motioned, and Brian Malone seconded, to move the December 11, 2008 meeting to December 4, 2008. Celeste Francis substituted the motion to

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have a taxi cab meeting on November 13, 2008 and decide at that time whether to have another special meeting other than the regularly scheduled one on December 11, 2008. Motion passed unanimously.

B. Request to Raise Taxi Rates by United Taxi of the Southwest–Ken Johnson

Mr. Hirsch reported that United Taxi of the Southwest filed a request to raise their taxi cab rates. Mr. Malone, Mr. Hirsch, Ms. Francis, and Mr. Johnson participated in the discussion.

Celeste Francis motioned, and Brian Malone seconded, to “note and file” the request. Motion passed unanimously.

C. Presentation by Nestor of Red Light Running Technology–Julia Rodriguez

Mr. Johnson stated that staff has been working with Nestor on a program to prevent red light running and the possibility of collisions resulting from them. Nestor is the only company offering a traffic collision avoidance feature in red light running technology. Mr. Justl, Mr. Terranova, Mr. Malone, Mr. Kriske, Mr. Heins, Mr. Flad, Mr. Gussow, Mr. Herman, Ms. Francis, and Lt. Caruso participated in the discussion.

Joseph Terranova motioned, and Brian Malone seconded, to approve the 1-year trial period of a red light running program from Nestor at the intersection discussed. Motion passed with one opposition from David Justl.

D. Status of Recreational Vehicle Parking in Burbank–Ken Johnson

Mr. Johnson informed the committee that staff will work with City Attorney’s Office to provide a draft ordinance to the committee before going to City Council. Mr. Justl, Mr. Herman, Lt. Caruso, Mr. Gussow, Mr. Malone, Mr. Flad, Mr. Terranova, and Mr. Johnson participated in the discussion.

Note and file.

E. City Council Direction on Committee Composition–Ken Johnson

Mr. Justl suggested some additional changes on the proposed ordinance before the final goes to City Council. Mr. Justl, Mr. Gussow, Ms. Teaford, Mr. Malone, Mr. Kriske, Mr. Flad, Mr. Johnson, and Mr. Herman participated in the discussion.

Note and file.

F. Rancho Horse Keeping District Signage–Ken Johnson

Mr. Johnson introduced Emily Gabel-Luddy, a resident of the Rancho Horse District, to speak about adding signage to increase pedestrian and equestrian safety. Mr. Flad, Mr. Malone, Mr. Herman, and Mr. Johnson participated in the discussion.

Note and file.

V. OTHER BUSINESS:

A. Status of I-5 Striping at Alameda Avenue

Striping is complete.

B. Status of signal detection at Victory and Verdugo

Signal detection is completed.

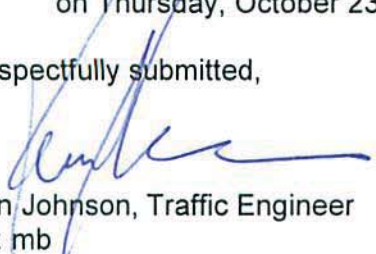
VI. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

- Traffic Calming (speed control devices)–Johnson
- Discussion of finding financing to build a parking structure behind Porto's Bakery (February 2008)–Terranova
- Commercial Vehicle Parking–Terranova
- Update on LNCV subcommittee recommendations (May 2008)–Herman
- T&T composition status (May 2008)–Terranova
- Signal timing discussion (August 2008)–Terranova
- Traffic Management Center Tour (September 2008)–Flad
- Experimental bike lane signage – Johnson

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Thursday, October 23, 2008 at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Ken Johnson, Traffic Engineer
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